

PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 06478.1495-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Peter Hermentin et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1641
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Application No.: 10/682,199)	Examiner: David J. Venci
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Filed: October 10, 2003)	
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For: METHOD FOR DETERMINING)	Confirmation No.: 1253
MULTIMERS OF PLASMA)	
PROTEINS)	MAIL STOP: RCE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, Applicants now reply to the Final Office Action mailed September 20, 2005, and the Advisory Action mailed February 6, 2006. The time period for response is extended to February 21, 2006, by the petition for extension of time and fee payment enclosed herewith. (February 20, 2006, was the Presidents' Day holiday.) Please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.

Please also enter the nine sheets of **Replacement Drawings** that were previously submitted to the Office on December 20, 2005.

Attachments include an **RCE form** and a **Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time**.